

1 IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

2 FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

3 In the Matter of Approving the ) RESOLUTION AND ORDER  
4 County's Commitment to Sustainability )  
5 and Framework for Future Program and ) No. 09-93  
6 Policy Development )

7 This matter having come before the Washington County Board of Commissioners at its  
8 meeting of November 3, 2009; and

9 It appearing to the Board that sustainability means meeting current economic, social, and  
10 environmental needs while ensuring that future generations can meet their needs; and

11 It appearing to the Board that the County's strategic plan recognizes that a healthy and  
12 sustainable environment is intertwined with the health, balance, and prosperity of residents and the  
13 livability of neighborhoods and communities; and

14 It appearing to the Board that healthy urban and rural communities are an integral part of a  
15 sustainable Washington County; and

16 It appearing to the Board that local government actions taken to reduce carbon footprint and  
17 increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs,  
18 reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the local government, businesses, and  
19 residents; and

20 It appearing to the Board that the County is committed to demonstrating sustainable  
21 stewardship that yields savings to taxpayers by reducing operating costs, providing healthy work  
22 environments for staff and visitors, protecting, conserving, and enhancing the County's resources,  
and establishing best practices for sustainable business operations; and

1 It appearing to the Board that the County plays an essential role in promoting,  
2 educating, and implementing best practices through 1) the management of internal operations;  
3 and 2) policy development in a wide range of areas including land use and transportation,  
4 greenspace preservation, public safety and justice, housing, health and human services, and  
5 general government; and

6 It appearing to the Board that the County is committed to designing, constructing, and  
7 operating facilities to minimize environmental impacts and operating costs by incorporating  
8 energy efficiency and renewable energy, conservation of materials and resources, water  
9 conservation, waste reduction, pollution prevention; and

10 It appearing to the Board that sustainable development can bolster a community's future  
11 by creating family-wage jobs, celebrating diversity, improving the environment and quality of life,  
12 and strengthening the economy; and

13 It appearing to the Board that community awareness, personal responsibility, participation,  
14 and education are key to creating and maintaining a sustainable community; and

15 It appearing to the Board that community-based solutions will be critical to the success of  
16 these plans; and

17 It appearing to the Board that for sustainability to be successfully integrated into  
18 Washington County, commitment to action is required at all levels; now, therefore, it is

19 **RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Washington County Board of Commissioners desires  
20 to establish a framework of sustainability to help inform County policy and management now and in  
21 the future, and communicate its commitment to employ best practices to support and enhance  
22 sustainability within County operations and throughout the larger community; and, it is further

1 RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the County will use a collaborative approach to  
2 develop and implement action plans; and, it is further

3 RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the County Administrator's office will provide  
4 oversight for this effort and report to the Board of Commissioners periodically on the status of  
5 these efforts; and, it is further

6 RESOLVED AND ORDERED that sustainability strategies will be integrated into key  
7 County processes and plans, to include the Strategic Plan, capital planning, budgeting, and training.

8 The County's sustainability framework, principles, and objectives are further detailed in  
9 Attachment "A."

10 DATED this 3rd day of November, 2009

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12 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

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	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
BRIAN	—	—	✓
SCHOUTEN	✓	—	—
STRADER	✓	—	—
ROGERS	✓	—	—
DUYCK	—	—	✓

14 Roy R. Rogers  
CHAIRMAN

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16 Barbara Hejtmanek  
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